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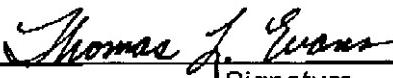
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Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified patent application:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,559,897 to Brown et al., issued September 24, 1996;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,911,013 to Taniishi, issued June 8, 1999; and
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,394,484 to Casey et al., issued February 28, 1995.

A PTO-1449 form is included herewith listing these documents. Since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the references are not included herewith. These documents were cited in an International Search Report in a related case, a copy of which is attached.

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The International Search Report is in English. Therefore, Applicants respectfully urge that further comment is unnecessary in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(3). However, Applicants respectfully point out that the International Search Report classifies these documents in category A.

Applicants believe that no fees are required for the Examiner's consideration of the documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement. If, however, the Commissioner deems that any fees are necessary for the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

It is respectfully requested that the documents listed above be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that they be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent that may issue from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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